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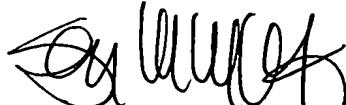
Sir:

For the possible benefit of anyone subsequently evaluating the scope and/or validity of the above patent, it is respectfully requested that the following references cited in the corresponding Japanese Office Action, dated February 12, 2008 (copy enclosed with partial English translation), be placed in the file wrapper:

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2002-19519 (with the cover pages of U.S. Patent Application No. US 2001/0046136 A1 and U.S. Patent No. 6,561,685, which are the U.S. equivalents),
2. Japanese Utility Model Application No. S55-14797 (Japanese Utility Model Application Laid-Open No. S56-117564 with partial English translation),
3. Japanese Utility Model Application No. S61-9564 (Japanese Utility Model Application Laid-Open No. S62-121141 with partial English translation),
4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 11-134903 (with English machine translation and English Abstract),

The undersigned has not reviewed the teachings of these references in detail and thus makes no representations concerning their relevancy or materiality.

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